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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO GUATEMALA, MANAGUA,
SAN JOSE, TEGUCIGALPA FROM SAN SALVADOR 24 APR.

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GUATEMALA ALSO FOR ROCAP

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SUBJECT: LATIN AMERICAN REPRESENTATION AT MTN

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1. THE QUESTION OF CENTRAL AMERICAN REPRESENTATION AT GENEVA
FOR THE MTN WAS ON THE AGENDA OF THE CEPAL MEETING (CA AND
PANAMA) SCHEDULED FOR TEGUCIGALPA APRIL 27 BUT POSTPONED AS
A RESULT OF THE RECENT RESIGNATION OF THE GOH ECONOMIC MINIS-
TER WHO WOULD ACT AS HOST FOR MEETING. FOREIGN MINISTRY
GENERAL DIRECTOR CARLOS CORDERO D'AUBUISSON, WHO WAS CENTRAL
AMERICA'S LAST REPRESENTATIVE IN GENEVA, TOLD ECONOFF HE HAS
DECLINED THE GENEVA POSITION SINCE HE WILL BECOME HEAD OF
ICAP IN MAY. HE SAID TWO OTHER UNDER CONSIDERATION, BOTH
GUATEMALANS, ECONOMIC MINISTER EDUARDO PALOMO AND RENE
MONTES (OF COFFEE FAME) ARE APPARENTLY UNWILLING OR UNABLE
TO ACCEPT. THE GOES IS NOT CONSIDERING FIELDING ITS OWN REPRESENTATIV
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TO MTN BUT, IN THE ABSENCE OF A CA/SIECA REPRESENTATIVE,
ECONOMIC MINISTER VALENCIA SAID IT WOULD PROBABLY ACCREDIT
GABRIEL PONS, ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO THE EUROPEAN OFFICE OF
UN AT GENEVA, TO MTN SESSIONS.

2. CARLOS VALENCIA, VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY,
SAID THE GOES HAS NOT PREPARED FOR THE MTN APART FROM STUDIES
COMPLETED IN CONNECTION WITH THE VARIOUS GSP'S. ON THE OTHER
HAND, CARLOS CORDERO SAID CEPAL AND SIECA ARE WELL PREPARED FOR
THE MTN AND ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS A DELEGATE.

3. SINCE THE GOES DOES NOT CONTEMPLATE ITS OWN PERMANENT DELE-
GATE TO THE MTN AND WILL RELY ON ITS EFFORTS THROUGH SIECA TO
BE REPRESENTED, PERHAPS ROCAP COULD DETERMINE SIECA'S INTEN-
TIONS.

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